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→ Commissioner Jane E. Henney  
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Dear Dr. Sundlof and Commissioner Henney:

It seems to me that the time has come for the FDA to ban the routine use of antibiotics in farm animal feed. There is ample evidence of antibiotic resistant bacteria causing disease in humans, and I think there is little doubt that part of the cause of the growing resistance is the routine use of antibiotics in feed.

Farming is perfectly possible without this technique. If food prices have to rise slightly as a result, that would be a very small price to pay for improving the odds that we can be cured when we contract some bacterial disease (odds which are currently becoming more and more slim).

Sincerely,

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